

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

2157 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

WASHINGTON, DC 20515-6143

MAJORITY (202) 225-5074
MINORITY (202) 225-5051
<https://oversight.house.gov>

MEMORANDUM

May 5, 2023

To: Members, Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs

From: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing titled “Strengthening the Fleet: Challenges and Solutions in Naval Surface Ship Construction”

On Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. ET, in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs will host a hearing titled “Strengthening the Fleet: Challenges and Solutions in Naval Surface Ship Construction.”

I. BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Navy has spent billions of taxpayer dollars on various shipbuilding programs that have either been met with delays and cost overruns or did not meet mission requirements. In addition, China’s Navy continues to grow and pose a threat the U.S. interests in the Indo-Pacific region, while American shipbuilders struggle to navigate government bureaucracy, recruit a talented workforce, and acquire necessary materials.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

This hearing will examine waste, fraud, and abuse in U.S. Navy shipbuilding programs, competition between the U.S. and China, and problems facing American shipbuilders.

III. WITNESSES:

- 1. Rear Admiral Thomas J. Anderson** – Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Ships, United States Navy
- 2. Rear Admiral Casey Moton** – Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Unmanned and Small Combatants, United States Navy